

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

PETER J. MESSITTE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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GREENBELT, MARYLAND 20770  
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June 27, 2018

Ms. Linda Gough  
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RE: Gough v. Bankers Life  
Civil No. PJM 17-2341

Dear Ms. Gough:

The Court has received your letter dated June 23, 2018, in which you ask the Court to terminate the *pro bono* representation of Brian Markovitz, Esquire. This letter was received after Mr. Markovitz filed his own Motion to Withdraw as Counsel (ECF No. 26).

The Court will **GRANT** Mr. Markovitz's Motion to Withdraw (ECF No. 26). However, the Court will not appoint you new *pro bono* representation, and you must proceed in this matter *pro se*. To clarify, none of the attorneys who have assisted you to date were compensated in any way by the Court.

Accordingly, the Court lifts the suspension on the Motion to Dismiss imposed by Letter Order on October 27, 2017 (ECF No. 11). You shall have thirty (30) days to file a response to the Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 5). Thereafter, Defendant shall file its reply in the normal course.

Despite the informal nature of this ruling, it shall constitute an Order of the Court and the Clerk is directed to docket it accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Peter J. Messitte  
United States District Judge

cc: Court File

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